



SABIT GROUP PROGRAM

AIRPORTS AND GROUND SUPPORT FOR EURASIA

MARCH 11 – APRIL 8, 2006

SCOPE AND MISSION

The Special American Business Internship Training (SABIT) Airports and Ground Support Program will train 18 mid- to senior-level executives from Eurasia representing the airport operations and ground support industry. These delegates, screened and selected by the U.S. Department of Commerce, represent industry leaders, who are seeking information on improvements and opportunities in airport management, site maintenance, and ground support equipment, among other industry areas. This program will introduce these regional aviation leaders to industry trends and help them establish contacts with U.S. ground support equipment manufacturers and U.S. airport management for future projects and activities.

PROGRAM OBJECTIVES

The Airports and Ground Support program aims to accomplish a number of objectives. Participants will gain a comprehensive understanding of airport management in the United States, with an emphasis on topics such as ground support equipment, system management, and plane maintenance. This will be done primarily through meetings with leading U.S. airports, industry associations, equipment manufacturers, and local, state and federal government representatives. By stressing these major thematic areas, not only will participants be able to implement meaningful changes in their airports and organizations upon their return home, but they will also be better prepared to work successfully with U.S. partners.

BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION

This is a unique opportunity for U.S. companies to provide industry insight and training while showcasing their products and services to their Eurasian counterparts. By hosting this SABIT group, U.S. companies actively involved with ground support and airport management will have the opportunity to establish or expand their operations and activities in Eurasia. Participating U.S. host companies will find the personal contacts made by hosting the delegation will greatly improve their commercial opportunities and operations with these Eurasian industry leaders.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

This program will begin March 11th, 2006 in Washington, D.C. with an orientation, training sessions, and visits to relevant government agencies, associations, and local companies in the National Capital Area. During the remaining three weeks of the session, the group will travel to relevant regions across the country to meet with leading U.S. industry organizations and experts.

HOST THIS DELEGATION

SABIT is currently looking for U.S. hosts to provide training sessions ranging from a few hours up to a full day at their facilities. Training should emphasize some of the following topics that are of interest to the delegates, and represent some of the current challenges they face within their organizations with respect to airport ground support:

- Ground support equipment and maintenance
- Passenger Movement
- Deicing Equipment
- Baggage and Cargo Handling
- IT Applications
- Catering Services
- Vehicles: fueling, towing, boarding
- Aircraft Maintenance and Climate Issues

COST OF PARTICIPATION

SABIT will cover the vast majority of program costs for all delegates, including round-trip airfare to the United States, all U.S. domestic air travel, lodging, insurance, per diem for meals and incidentals, and interpreters to provide simultaneous interpretation of all program events. In turn, U.S. host companies and organizations are asked to provide industry expertise through training in the topics pertaining to this particular program. U.S. organizations generally host delegations from ½ day to 2 days, depending on the topic and host availability.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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